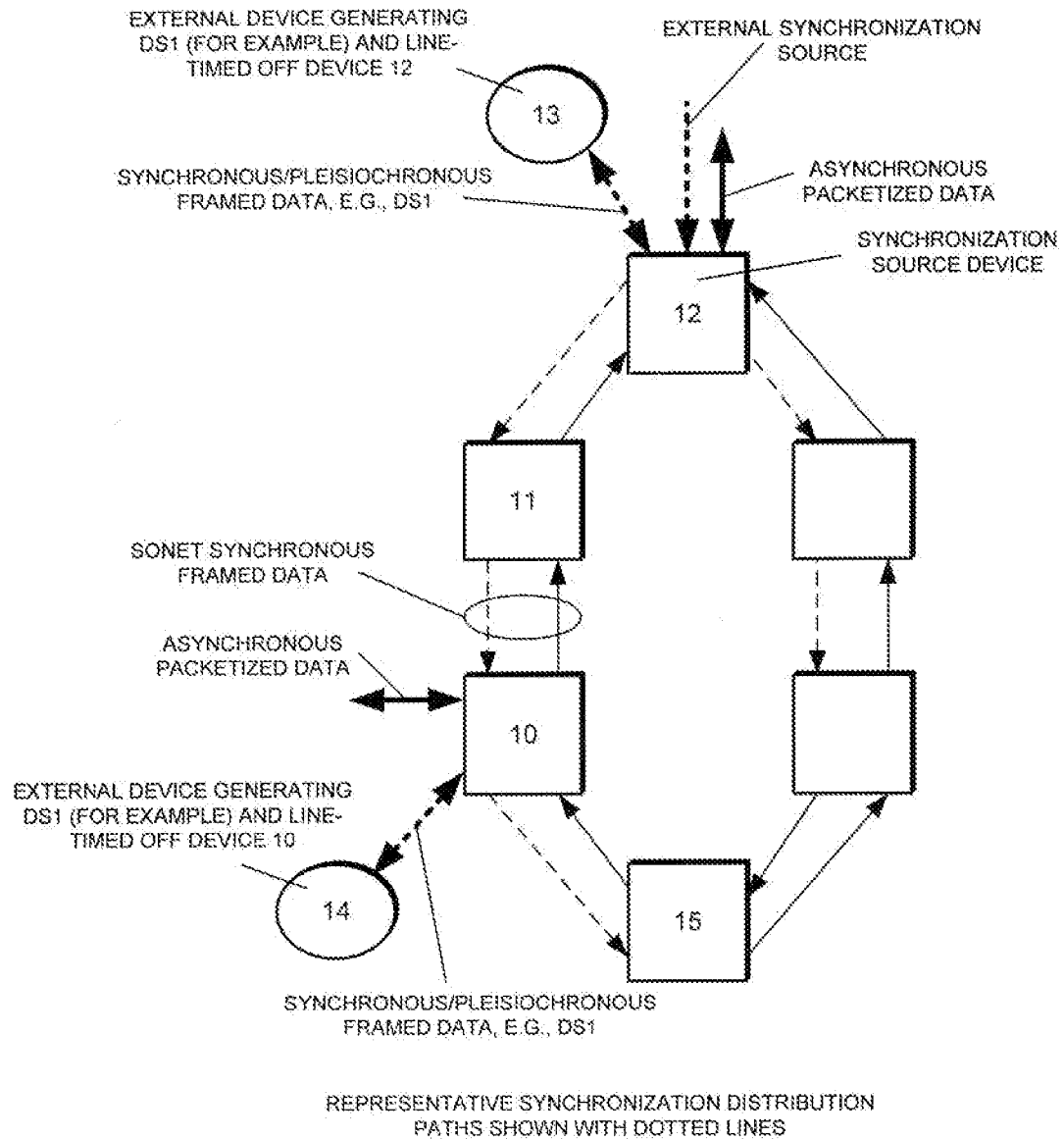
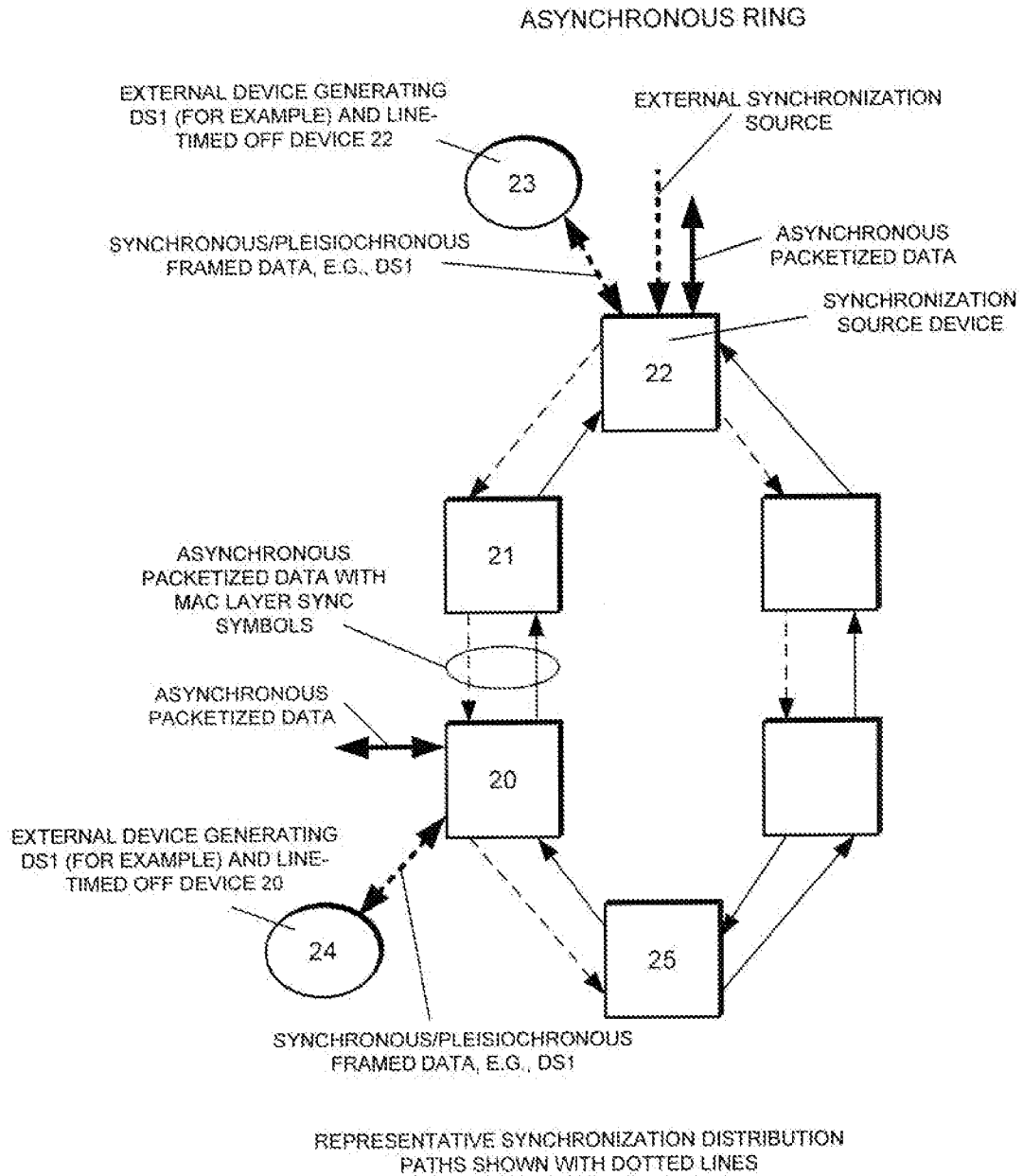


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**FIG. 1A**



**FIG. 1B**

REPRESENTATIVE TRANSMISSION OF MAC DATA FRAMES WITHOUT PRIORITIZED INSERTION OF SYNCHRONIZATION SYMBOL

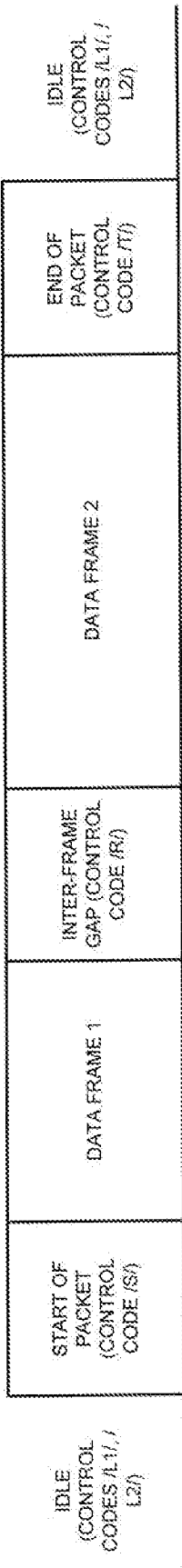


FIG. 2A

REPRESENTATIVE TRANSMISSION OF MAC DATA FRAMES WITH PRIORITIZED INSERTION OF SYNCHRONIZATION SYMBOL

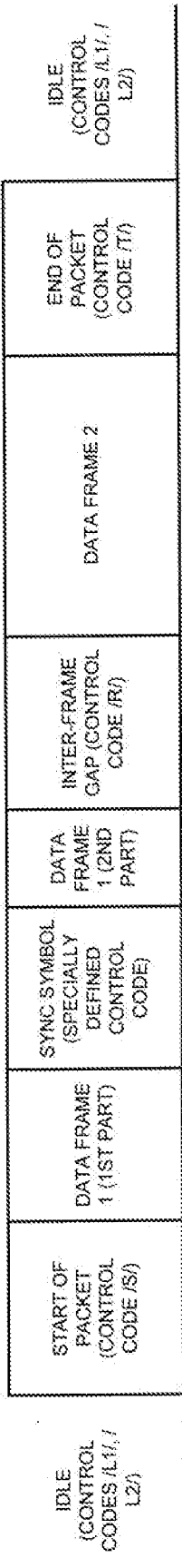
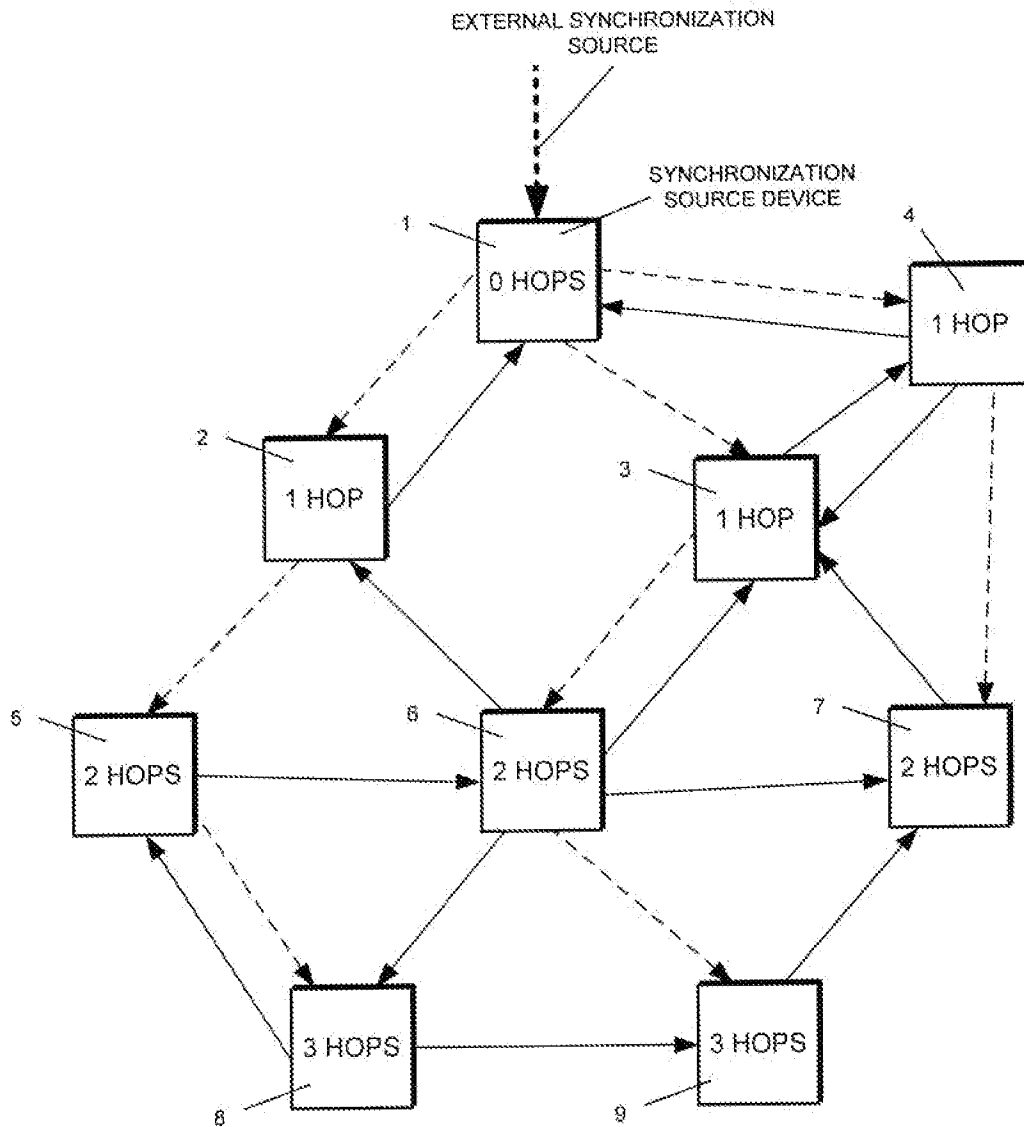


FIG. 2B



**FIG. 3**



REPRESENTATIVE SYNCHRONIZATION DISTRIBUTION PATHS SHOWN WITH  
DOTTED LINES

**FIG. 4**

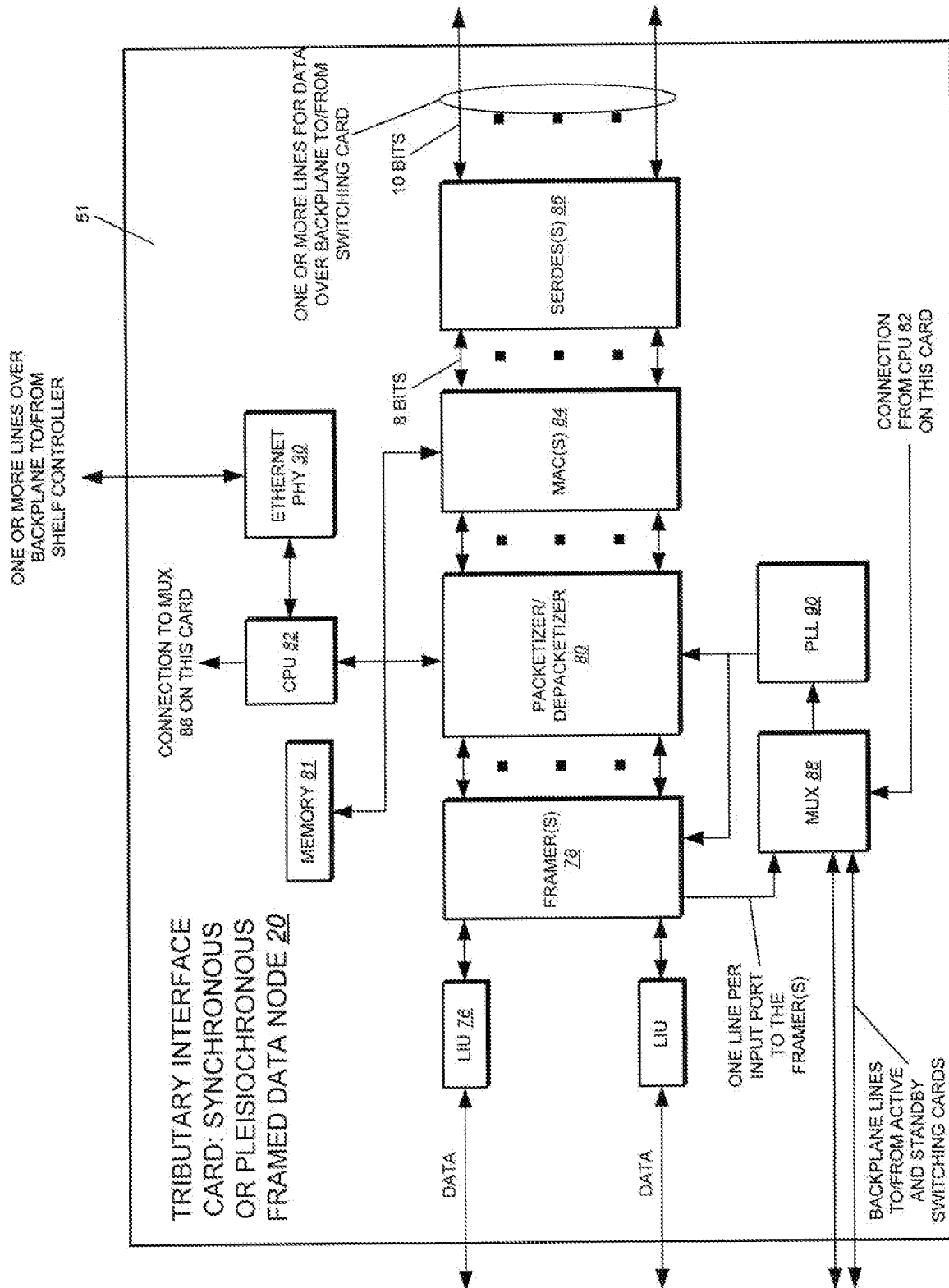
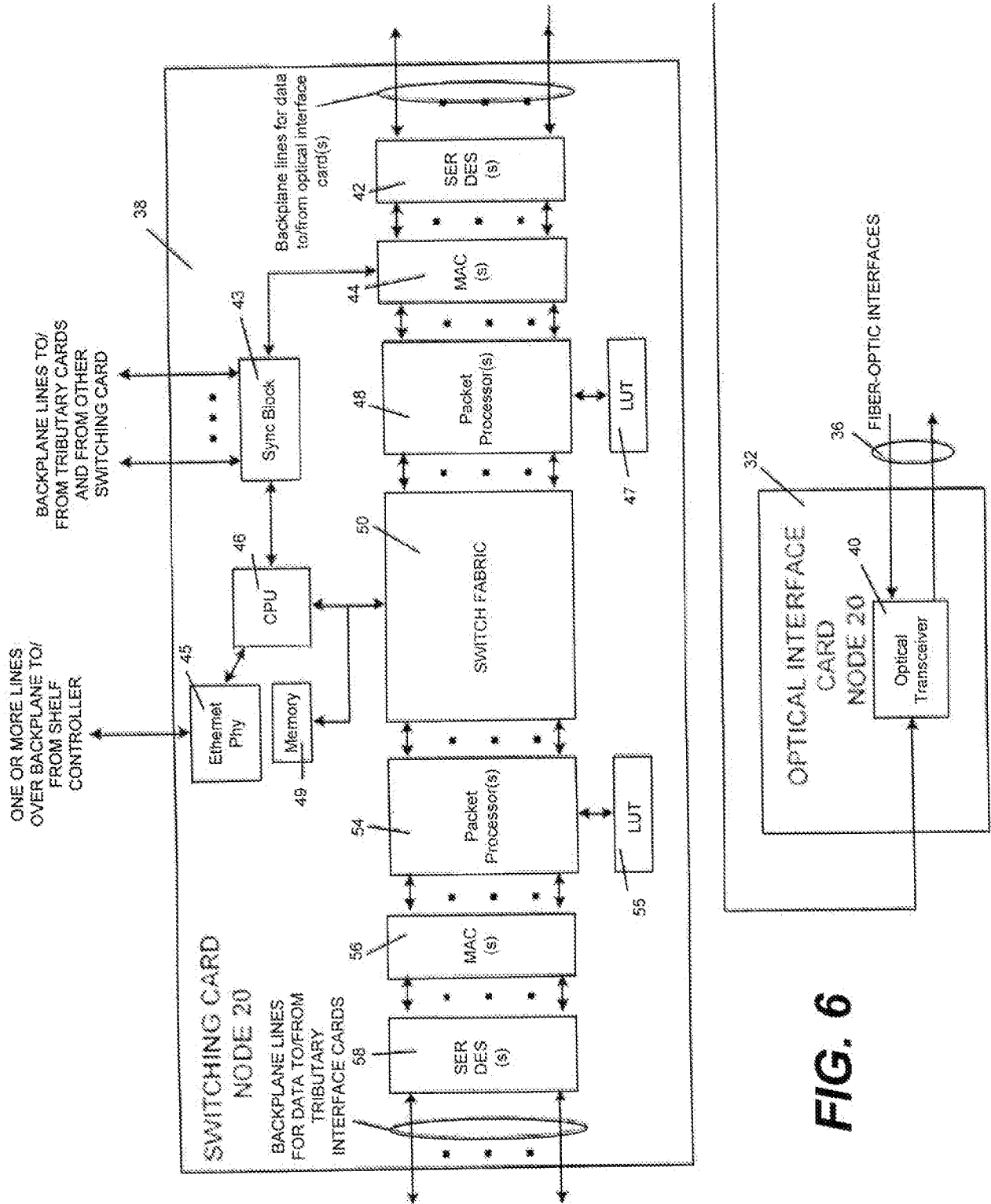


FIG. 5



**FIG. 6**